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Landgate verification of identity workshops

The Western Australian Registrar and Commissioner of Titles *Joint Practice: Verification of Identity* (the Practice) commenced on 1 July 2012 with a six-month transitional implementation period.

Landgate states that during the transitional period, industry may implement the Practice when they have established the means to meet the requirements. Landgate expects full compliance when lodging the specified documents on and from 2 January 2013.

Landgate's workshops are designed to assist property industry professionals gain an understanding of the Practice and its practical implementation. The remaining workshop sessions are being held during early September 2012. More information on the registration process can be found on the Landgate website under Customer Information Bulletins at: <u>http://www.landgate.wa.gov.au</u>

The Practice, which is designed to reduce the opportunity for successful land title fraud, was created in response to two Western Australian land title frauds in 2010 and 2011.

Consumer Protection's most recent information on the Practice can be found in Issue 3 of Settlement News which is located at: http://www.commerce.wa.gov.au/consumerprotection/settlement

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